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PURPOSES OF THE ORGANIZATION.

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ELIGIBILITY TO MEMBERSHIP.

All persons interested in its purposes are invited to become members of the Association. The annual dues are one dollar.

THE STATE
Literary and Historical Association
SEVENTH ANNUAL SESSION.

RALEIGH, N. C., November 15, 1906.

At 8:30 p. m. the seventh annual session of the State Literary and Historical Association was opened with prayer by Rev. T. N. Ivey.

A telegram from President Aycock stated that he was unavoidably detained in an important trial, and the Secretary announced that upon receipt of this information the Executive Committee had requested Judge Henry G. Connor to preside over the meeting. Judge Connor then called the meeting to order, and introduced the first speaker, Mr. A. M. Scales, of Greensboro, who came with a notable and well-told story of an outgrowth of the Association, which is doing excellent work in one of the North Carolina counties richest in historic memories. Said Mr. Scales:

ORGANIZING COUNTY LITERARY AND HISTORICAL ASSOCIATIONS.

A number of citizens met in Greensboro a few weeks ago and organized the Guilford County Literary and Historical Association. The meeting was an enthusiastic one and the association began with more than seventy charter members, which number has since been increased and promises to continue to grow. We followed largely the constitution of the State organization, making such changes as were necessary because of its restricted territory. As an illustration, the purposes of the society are declared in the following terms:

"The purposes of this association shall be the collection, preservation, production and dissemination of our State literature and history; the encouragement of the public school libraries, the establishment of a historical museum; the inculcation of a literary spirit among our people; the correction of printed misrepresentations concerning North Carolina, and the engendering of an intelligent and healthy city, county and State pride in the rising generation. The work of the association shall have special reference to the city of Greensboro and the county of Guilford, although not limited to these bounds."

Any white resident or former resident of Guilford County is eligible to membership, the annual dues are one dollar, and two public meetings are to be held each year.

Col. James T. Morehead was elected President, and the other officers are as follows: Judge R. M. Douglas, Mrs. Lucy H. Robertson and Dr. W. T. Whitsett, Vice-Presidents; Mrs. J. Sterling Jones, Corresponding Secretary, and Miss Bettie D. Caldwell, Secretary and Treasurer. There are five strong committees, as follows: Executive Committee, whose duties are similar to those of the State Executive Committee; the Committee on Literature and History, whose duty is to collect valuable material connected with the history of Greensboro and of Guilford County and of North Carolina, and such of their literature as in their judgment is worthy to be preserved. They shall recommend to the association plans and contests to promote and encourage the production of literature among our people. They shall examine and recommend for publication such of the manuscripts submitted to them as may be thought worthy, and they shall have charge of any printing or publication ordered or authorized by the association. The Committee on Libraries, whose duty is to ascertain and report to the association, as far as may be practicable, the number and condition of the public and school libraries in the city of Greensboro and in the county of Guilford, and to advise and suggest plans for their establishment and promotion. And it is their especial duty to suggest, promote and encourage free libraries in connection with schools and factories. The Committee on Membership, with the usual duties. The Committee on a Historical Museum: The duty of this committee is to collect and accept for the association and place in a museum or place of safekeeping an exhibition of valuable historical relics and original documents which may be donated or collected, and endeavor to discover and collect them wherever they may be found.

We expect by means of these officers and committees to have the old trunks and garrets of Guilford searched and their treasures brought forth and given or loaned to the association. We expect to have these things properly classified and indexed, and properly preserved and displayed. Already contributions have been received and others are promised. We do not propose to come in conflict with any others who are collecting historical material, but to work in sympathy with them. The Battle Ground Company has done a splendid work in collecting historic material, in establishing a museum, in publishing pamphlets, and in correcting misrepresentations. Instead of competing with them, we join hands with these gentlemen, and propose to help them in every way possible. In token of which we have the honored president of the Battle Ground Company, Maj. Joseph M. Morehead, as one of our earnest members.

Leaving out the work of the Battle Ground Company, Guilford has done very little towards the preservation of its local history. Within the last few years Mr. James W. Albright, now of Asheville, published a valuable history of Greensboro, but this could devote but little attention to the county at large. We almost envy our neighbors in Forsyth the excellent historical work they have recently been doing. "The His-

tory of Wachovia in North Carolina," by Clewell, is a book of absorbing human interest, and we could with difficulty lay it aside until we had read it through. Every county has its own story, and doubtless all of them are of more or less interest.

At the public meetings of our county society we hope to have papers on the various phases of our county's life. We expect some one to tell of the settlement of the eastern part of the county by the Germans. They still preserve many of the characteristics of the old country and take pride in showing you their German Bibles and other relics. Another will tell of the Quakers or Friends, who settled in West Guilford, which became a recruiting ground for Indiana and other States of the Middle West, to which they flocked, following the buffalo trail. The war is now far enough removed for some one to describe the effects upon the Quakers during the Civil War, of their historic doctrines of love of peace and opposition to slavery, of the underground railway, and of their migrations, and of the splendid part these sturdy men and women have taken in building up the great Middle West.

We also want the history of the Scotch-Irish, who settled largely in the center of the county, of their churches, and of their educational influences, of our close communication with Princeton through their preachers, who were also teachers.

We shall expect also to have a history of education in the county, a history of the churches, of the banks, of the politics, of the early stage routes, a biography, and other monographs as they may from time to time be suggested. Our books, papers, and other historic material as well as the museum will be kept in the public library building recently erected in Greensboro.

It has been stated by some one that the best place to study North Carolina history is in one of the great Northern libraries. Men and brethren, this ought not so to be, and if it be true, it is enough to make every true lover of the State hang his head. There should be no doubt in the minds of any as to where the richest material is to be found. A noble building, a hall of records, should proclaim to the world that the State's capital is the place to study the State's history, and this building should be enriched with material from every county.

In conclusion, allow me to propose to the association that the work of organizing county associations should be vigorously continued; and let there be a vital connection between them and this association, so that each may be encouraged and strengthened by the other.

Following Mr. Scales' address came the usual review of North Carolina books of the year, a task which Prof. D. H. Hill has done with such faithfulness and ability for several sessions past. It was an inspiring review—showing fifty-

two volumes published in the twelvemonth by North Carolina writers, as against eighteen such publications the year the Association was organized; and it is said by one of the State's ablest men that no other Southern Commonwealth has ever shown in one year so creditable a literary output.

Professor Hill's paper follows:

NORTH CAROLINA BIBLIOGRAPHY FOR THE PAST YEAR.

For greater clearness in mentioning them, the books for the past year are divided into the following classes: first, History; second, Biography; third, Poetry; fourth, Text-books; fifth, Miscellaneous books.

1. HISTORY.

1. "The Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence and Lives of the Signers," by Dr. George W. Graham, of Charlotte; 205 pages; Neale Publishing Company, of New York. This book is a defence of the authenticity of the Mecklenburg Declaration of May 20, 1775, and in addition contains biographical sketches of the signers of that document.

2. "The Federalist System," by Dr. John S. Bassett, recently of Durham; Harper Brothers, New York, publishers. This book was awarded the John Marshall prize for the best piece of historical work done during the past year by a Johns Hopkins graduate.

3. "The South's Burden, or The Curse of Sectionalism," by Benjamin Franklin Grady, of Duplin County, 147 pages; cloth; Nash Brothers, publishers. The twenty-three chapters of this book deal with the relations of the Northern and Southern States.

4. "Reconstruction in North Carolina," by J. G. deRoulhac Hamilton, associate professor of history in the University of North Carolina; 216 pages, 16mo.; paper; Edwards & Broughton, publishers. From original sources Mr. Hamilton has presented a first-hand study of the darkest period in the history of our commonwealth.

5. "The Moravians in Georgia," by Miss A. L. Fries, of Salem; 252 pages, 16mo.; cloth; Edwards & Broughton, publishers. This book gives at length the story of the colony of kind-hearted Moravians who went in early times to Georgia.

6. "History of Hertford County," by Judge B. B. Winborne; 348 pages, 16mo.; cloth; Edwards & Broughton, publishers. This county history commences with the first settlements in the eastern part of the State and comes down to the present.

7. "State's Rights and Political Parties in North Carolina," by Dr. Henry McGilbert Wagstaff; 155 pages; paper cover; Johns Hopkins Press. From State records and contemporary documents as well as from other histories, Mr. Wagstaff gives us a study of the politics of the State from 1775 to 1860.

8. "The Beginnings of Freemasonry in North Carolina," by Marshall

DeLancey Haywood; 86 pages; Weaver & Lynch, publishers. This book is a painstaking narrative of the first steps in Masonry, followed by an is a painstaking narrative of the first steps in Masonry in North Carolina, followed by an account of the early lodges and of the organization of the Grand Lodge. The second part is devoted to biographical sketches of the Grand Masters of colonial days.

9. "History of Methodism," by Rev. W. L. Grissom; 376 pages, 26 illustrations; Smith & Lamar, publishers, Nashville, Tenn. This book is a full and scholarly account of the rise and expansion of the Methodist Church in this country.

10. In the State Records series, an invaluable collection of State documents, Chief Justice Walter Clark has edited volumes 22, 24 and 25. Students of North Carolina history will be delighted to know that the index to this series is now about ready for publication.

11. "A Short History of Cumberland County," by J. H. Myrover. All too briefly Mr. Myrover sketches the interesting history of the old Scotch-Irish county.

12. "The North Carolina Booklet," of history, under the guiding hands of Miss Mary Hilliard Hinton and Mrs. E. E. Moffitt, continues with unflagging zeal its publication of articles on our history. This magazine ought to have five thousand subscribers and we hope it soon may. During the year it has published the following articles: Cornelius Harnett, by R. D. W. Connor; Edward Moseley, a Character Sketch, by D. H. Hill; Celebration of the Anniversary of the 20th of May, 1775, by Major W. A. Graham; Gov. Thomas Pollock, by Mrs. John W. Hinsdale; The Battle of Cowan's Ford, by Maj. W. A. Graham; The First Settlers in North Carolina Not Religious Refugees, by Rt. Rev. Joseph B. Cheshire; The Indian Tribes of Eastern Carolina, by Rr. Richard Dillard; Glimpses of History in the Names of Our Counties, by Dr. Kemp P. Battle; A Colonial Admiral of the Cape Fear, by Mr. James Sprunt; The Borough Towns of North Carolina, by Francis Nash; Gov. Thomas Burke, by J. G. de Roulhac Hamilton; Colonial and Revolutionary Relics in the Hall of History, by Col. Fred. A. Olds.

II. Biography.

1. "Biographical History of North Carolina," edited by Capt. S. A. Ashe, and published by Charles L. Van Noppen, Greensboro. This series is to be completed in ten volumes, four of which have now come from the press. This is by far the handsomest series of biographical works ever undertaken in North Carolina and perhaps in the South. The carefully written articles, attractive binding and well-executed portraits will make the set a monument to editors and publishers.

2. "Sidney Lanier," by Dr. Edwin Mims, of Trinity College. Dr. Mims's book is not only a biography but a critical study of the work of one of the greatest of the Southern poets.

3. "Idle Comments." This is a memorial volume, containing in its

271 pages, selections from newspaper articles of Isaac Erwin Avery, whose untimely death cut short a career full of robust promise of literary power. The volume is edited by Edwin Mims, J. P. Caldwell, C. A. Smith, Plato Durham and J. W. Bailey.

4. "The Winborne Family," by Judge B. B. Winborne, of Hertford County; 152 pages; Edwards & Broughton, publishers.

5. "Life of Gen. R. E. Lee," by Prof. Henry E. Shepherd; Neale Publishing Company, New York. This is an octavo volume, fully illustrated, and intended to be a characterization of the Confederate chieftain.

III. Poetry.

1. "Songs Merry and Sad," by John Charles McNeill; 106 pages; Stone & Barringer Company, publishers. This little volume contains, among other verses, the songs which last year won for Mr. McNeill the award of the Patterson cup of this Society.

2. "After Study Meditations," by Raymond Browning, of Trinity College; 31 pages. This volume, daintily published, consists of 21 poems.

IV. Text-Books.

1. "Principles of Wealth and Welfare," by Prof. Charles Lee Raper, of the University of North Carolina—328 pages; Macmillan & Company, New York, publishers.

2. "Studies in English Syntax," by Dr. C. Alphonso Smith, of the University of North Carolina; Ginn & Co., publishers.

3. "Our Language" (second book), also by Dr. Smith. Published by the B. F. Johnson Company.

4. "Management of Cotton Mills," by H. D. Martin; 226 pages, cloth; Edwards & Broughton, publishers.

5. "Hugo's Hernani," edited with notes, an introduction and vocabulary, by Dr. J. D. Bruner, of the State University; American Book Company, publishers.

6. "The Character of Victor Hugo's Ruy Blas," by Dr. J. D. Bruner.

7. "A Spelling Book," edited by Professors J. I. Foust and I. C. Griffin; Alfred Williams & Company, publishers.

8. "Classics, Old and New," a series of five readers, by Dr. E. A. Alderman, formerly president of the University of North Carolina; University Publishing Company, publishers.

9. "The Civil Government of North Carolina," a supplement, by Dr. E. W. Sykes, of Wake Forest College, to Swann & Stevenson's "Civil Government of the United States." Lippincott Co., publishers.

10. For "Our Government" Prof. S. F. Mordecai wrote a supplement. Charles Scribner's Sons, publishers.

11. Prof. J. I. Foust and Miss Nettie M. Allen, of Greensboro, prepared a North Carolina Supplement to Tarr & McMurry's Geography.

12. "Word Studies," by E. D. Sheppe, of Enfield; 126 pages; Johnson Publishing Company.

13. "The Hill Readers," a series of five readers prepared by Messrs. D. H. Hill, F. L. Stevens and C. W. Burkett; Ginn & Company, publishers.

14. "Old North State Copy Books," a series of copy books based on history. These books are edited by Messrs. E. D. Broadhurst, J. A. Matheson, and Miss Mary L. Tinnin.

V. Miscellaneous Books.

1. "Cotton, its Cultivation, Marketing, and the Problem of the Cotton World," by Dr. C. W. Burkett and Mr. Clarence H. Poe; 331 pages, 62 handsome illustrations; Doubleday, Page & Company, New York, publishers.

2. "From Cotton Field to Cotton Mill," by Holland Thompson. This is a full study of the cotton industry of the State and contains much historical information; 278 pages; Macmillan & Company, publishers.

3. "Plantation Sketches," a series of stories based on personal knowledge of slavery times, by Mrs. Margaret Devereux; 169 pages; Riverside Press, Cambridge.

4. "Men from London Town," a novel, by Mrs. Sarah Stone Williams, of Raleigh; 288 pages; Neale Publishing Company, New York.

5. "A Fool in Theology," by E. R. Israel; 164 pages, paper.

6. "Psychological Principles of Education," by Dr. Herman Harrell Horne; 435 pages; Macmillan & Company, New York.

7. "The Sermon on the Mount," by Dr. J. B. Shearer, of Davidson College.

8. Chief Justice Walter Clark has annotated during the year seven additional volumes of the North Carolina Reports.

9. "Southern Methodist Handbook," edited by Dr. Thomas N. Ivey; 300 pages, profusely illustrated.

10. "The Call of the Home Land," by Dr. A. L. Phillips; Southern Presbyterian Publishing Company.

"A STATE LIBRARY BUILDING AND DEPARTMENT OF ARCHIVES AND RECORDS"

was the next subject, and in handling it Mr. R. D. W. Connor, of Raleigh, piled fact upon fact, argument upon argument, with cumulative and irresistible effect. In the beginning he showed how every copy and every newspaper report which would establish the genuineness of the Mecklenburg Declaration of May 20th has been destroyed, and called attention to the great loss North Carolina suffered in the burning of Canova's statue of Washington—a loss which would not have occurred had not the Legislature refused an appropriation of

$1,200 to provide for its proper protection against fire. "It was neither economical nor patriotic;" said Mr. Connor, "nor did the refusal to make the appropriation come from an honest desire to be either; it sprang from a want of trust in the good sense and the patriotism of the people"—and he continued:

"So it is neither economical nor patriotic to permit our present State Library, Supreme Court Library, and the collection in the Hall of History, to remain day after day in constant danger of destruction by fire for the lack of a suitable building. We have a State library creditable to North Carolina. It contains 40,000 volumes, exclusive of the pamphlets and bound newspapers in which the history of the State is written. The destruction of this library would be a calamity to North Carolina from which there would be no recovery—thousands of books that could never be replaced; hundreds of newspapers nowhere else to be found; hundreds of pamphlets that could not be bought with gold. A very conservative estimate of the money value of this library would place it from $150,000 to $200,000. In addition to the State Library, the same unprotected building holds the Supreme Court Library, one of the best State law libraries in our country, containing 17,000 volumes, worth at the lowest estimate $75,000. Adjoining this building is the Hall of History, a large hall at one end of the State Museum. Through the enthusiastic efforts of Colonel Fred. A. Olds, who deserves the thanks of all patriotic citizens for his unselfish labors, more than 4,000 historic relics, documents, papers and pictures have been collected there, illustrating every period and almost phase of the life of the State. It is doubtful if any other State in the Union has a more valuable or more instructive collection of historic relics. In an interesting story of the Hall of History, Colonel Olds says:

" 'North Carolina is yet rich in such objects, notably of the Colonial and Revolutionary periods, but until this collection began, a little over three years ago, nothing had been done, except in what may be termed very justly a local way, to gather together such objects. By such failure the State has suffered enormous loss, due to the burning of court-houses, public buildings, and, most of all, private homes, in some of which there were extensive groups of objects the loss of which is irreparable. But at last the gathering together at Raleigh, where by all manner of means the collection ought to be, has been begun, and the fact that the number of objects now exceeds the 4,000 mark shows not only zeal in collecting, but also an awakened public interest. * * * It is felt that the present Hall of History is what may truly be termed a stepping-stone to higher things; in other words, that it is but the forerunner of a far more noble one, generous as to space, and built on the most mod-

ern lines as regards the elimination of risks by fire. *Given such a building, and the writer can undertake to secure almost anything in North Carolina.*"

"It is impossible to place anything like a money value on these three collections—the State Library, the Supreme Court Library, and the Hall of History. They represent thousands of dollars and years of patriotic labor. They are beyond all price, and yet year after year they are left in buildings inadequate in size and arrangement, hardly creditable to a great State in appearance, and totally unprotected from fire. A fire once started in either would sweep like a hurricane through both and reduce the whole to ashes in spite of all human effort. Is it economy to leave these public treasures thus exposed to destruction? Is it patriotic? Does not the destruction of the Mecklenburg Declaration papers teach us a useful lesson? Has the burning of the capitol no warning for us? the loss of the State Library? the destruction of the great statue of Washington? And shall we let these warnings go unheeded? Is it possible that North Carolinians care so little for their great past, for the development of an interest in their history, for the cultivation of literature and art among their children, that they would frown down an appropriation from their public money for the erection of a fire-proof building in which these treasures would be safe? The very question is almost a slander on the good name of the State!

"The State is amply able to erect such a building—a building absolutely fire-proof, stately in architectural design, and ample for the purposes to which it shall be devoted. It would be more than a library building. Patriotic societies would have rooms there for their meetings and records; the State Literary and Historical Association would have offices and record rooms set apart for its work; there, too, would be offices and archive rooms for a State Commissioner of Archives and Records; a spacious hall would be dedicated as a Hall of History, which would be the instructor of thousands in the history of North Carolina—in a word, it would be the headquarters for all the literary and historical activities of future generations of North Carolinians. The hallways would be lined with statues, the walls with portraits, preserving the forms and features of the great men and women who have served the State and Nation. On the walls, too, would hang paintings executed by native artists of the great events of our history—the landing of the first Englishmen on Roanoke; the famous May-day scene of '75 at Charlotte; the greater event at Halifax in April of '76; the mad charges up the side of King's Mountain; the steady resistance at Guilford Court-House; Davie and his fellows resting under the poplar on a balmy October day, dreaming of a great university; James C. Dobbin in the halls of legislation pleading with a power surpassing eloquence for those who could not plead for themselves; the long gray line sweeping up the slopes of Gettysburg; all these and many more such historic scenes would be there to inspire hundreds of North Carolina boys and girls with a desire to 'serve so good

a State and so great a people.' And there, too, would come students to search its treasures who would do for North Carolina and the South all that Bryant and Lowell and Longfellow and Holmes and Emerson and Bancroft and Fiske and a host of other great names have done for Massachusetts and New England. Visited every year by thousands, such a building, like a great beacon light on a hill, would shed an inspiring light on the historical, literary and educational life of the State that would be worth a hundred times over all the money expended in its construction. It is not possible that the people of North Carolina would regard with disfavor an appropriation for this purpose; sensible and patriotic people will applaud the legislature that takes this great forward step.

"A second lesson equally valuable and equally necessary which the illustrations I have given ought to impress on us is the importance of collecting, copying, editing and publishing the historical sources now in existence *while they are in existence.*

"I have shown how hundreds of invaluable documents and other sources have been lost or destroyed through the carelessness, indifference and ignorance of their owners. These are hopelessly gone, and with them a mass of historical wealth that can never be regained. But thousands of others remain which should be preserved. I have in mind now a collection of the papers of one of North Carolina's greatest sons, containing dozens of most valuable letters, never published, from nearly all of his great contemporaries in the State and many in the Nation: letters from Swain, Badger, Graham, Ruffin, from John Randolph of Roanoke, Webster, Marshall, Story, Hamilton, Kent, and many more. There is no more valuable collection of private papers in the State, and yet for the absence of such a building as I have described and the lack of means in making use of them, they will doubtless soon be lost to North Carolina. The owner, who lives in a distant State, has already expressed her intention of presenting them to the Library of Congress at Washington, and I must reluctantly confess that under present conditions I could not urge her to present them to North Carolina, although I know they properly belong here.

"There are many other collections in and out of the State, stuffed away in dark corners and dusty archives, in pigeon holes, vaults, desks, attics and cellars, containing records, public and private letters, and other manuscripts of great value. Yet as matters now stand they are as absolutely useless to their owners or to the State as the miser's gold to the miser; but if collected, edited and published, would be a source of mental and moral wealth to North Carolina beyond that which all the gold of all the misers could buy. Many of the owners of these collections would willingly part with them if the State had a safe place for their preservation and would provide for their publication.

"What, then, can the State do? The State can follow the example of Alabama, Mississippi, New York, Wisconsin, South Carolina, and all the

New England States, and make appropriations for their preservation and publication. The States of Alabama and Mississippi are doing more than any other Southern States for the elucidation of their history and present the best examples for our own State to follow. Each of these States has created a State Department of Archives and Records, with a commissioner in charge whose duty it is to care for their historical sources. Let us follow their examples. Such a department would not cost more than $4,000 or $5,000 a year—a trifling sum in comparison with its value to the State. The Alabama act recites the duty of the Alabama commissioner as follows: 'He shall have control and direction of the operations of the department, he shall preserve its collections, care for the official archives that may come into his custody, collect as far as possible all materials bearing on the history of the State and the territory included therein from the earliest times, prepare the bi-ennial register hereinafter provided, diffuse knowledge in reference to the history and resources of the State; and he is charged with the particular duty of gathering data concerning Alabama soldiers in the war between the States.'

"The bi-ennial register mentioned must contain: '(1) Brief sketches of the several State officials, the members of Congress from Alabama, the Supreme Court judges, the members of the Senate and the House of Representatives of the State of Alabama; (2) rosters of all the State and county officials; (3) lists of all State institutions and officials; (4) State and county population and election statistics, and (5) miscellaneous statistics.'

"We can not do better than follow the example of the State of Alabama. All patriotic citizens would aid the commissioner in his work. Those who possess documents of historical value would gladly place them at his disposal. Thousands of originals or certified copies of church and court records, letters, maps, old newspapers, portraits, manuscripts of all kinds, and other material of value to the student of history, would be entrusted to his care for the benefit of the public, and a safe repository would be provided for their preservation. All material which can not be parted with permanently would be returned to the owners after copies were made; and provision would be made for copying such documents as the owners are unwilling to part with at all. The expenses of the work would, of course, be met by the department. The material after being carefully edited would be published at the expense of the State and due acknowledgment would be made to all who aided in the work. The great value of such work to the State is splendidly illustrated by the monumental work of Colonel William L. Saunders and Chief Justice Walter Clark in the editing and publication of the Colonial and State Records prior to the year 1790. Until these volumes revealed the true story of the first century and a half of the State's history, it was fashionable among historians to pass it over with slurs and sneers or to ignore it altogether. But such an attitude

now would very justily condemn any author to deserved oblivion. What citizen of North Carolina is there who is not gratified and proud of the rescue by these two loyal sons of the good name of their mother?

But as great as this work is, the complete history of North Carolina can never be written until a similar work is done for every decade subsequent to 1790. It is a work that cannot be accomplished except through the medium of the State. It is a work that cannot be accomplished in a year, nor within two years, but is rather the work of a generation. Let us earnestly hope that the intelligent patriotism of the State will demand that it shall be done and thoroughly done at the public expense through a State Department of Records and Archives.

Following Mr. Connor's address, Mr. A. M. Scales, Chairman, submitted a report on behalf of the Committee appointed a year ago to push the movement for the Fire-proof Library and Hall of Records. This Committee consists of A. M. Scales, Chairman, F. A. Olds, Maj. E. J. Hale, Judge H. G. Connor, and Dr. George W. Graham. In the next Legislature this Committee is expected to work unceasingly for the success of the work it has in hand.

Mr. W. J. Peele, Chairman, submitted an interesting oral report on the matter of reproducing the John White paintings.

Gratifying progress in developing the Hall of History was indicated by Col. F. A. Olds, its efficient manager.

The establishment of a Fire-proof Library and Hall of Records being the next great task of the Association, the Secretary offered the following resolution, which was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, that the State Literary and Historical Association hereby reaffirms its intense interest in the establishment of a fire-proof State Library and Hall of Records as an imperative public necessity, and we commend to the people of the State the able address of Prof. Connor summarizing the incontrovertible arguments for immediate action by our General Assembly.

2. That we commend the earnestness of the committee already appointed for urging this work upon the Legislature, and we promise to do all in our power to hold up their hands until the building is a reality.

Mr. Junius Davis presented this resolution, which was passed:

Whereas, the present membership list of 200 paying $1 each naturally fails to furnish funds adequate for carrying forward the many worthy movements which this Association has at heart; therefore be it

Resolved, that the representatives of the Association here assembled hereby pledge themselves to push with all possible vigor the campaign for 500 members during the fiscal year now begun, and to that end we urge every member to interest himself in adding one or more new names to the present list.

Col. J. Bryan Grimes brought forward an important matter in this fashion:

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen of the North Carolina Literary and Historical Association:

In our past we have had a wealth of heroism but a poverty of record. It has been well said that men live in the estimation of posterity, not by their deeds alone, but by their historians also. We have yet to learn that to receive proper credits we must keep our own accounts.

Our people are just awakening to the fact that much of our history has been neglected, forgotten or lost altogether, and we are slowly beginning to realize that we must look to ourselves for the preservation of the memories of an heroic past and for the story of the teeming present.

We can live only in our children, and that which we would make of our State, we must first cause to grow in the hearts and minds of those who are to one day shape its destinies, write its history, sing its songs and paint its glories. To make a great and glorious future we must have the knowledge and inspiration of a great past, for humanity is most powerful in teaching by example, and history holds out before us the character treasures that we should emulate. Every one remembers the illustrations in the lessons of their school days—each of you will recall great pictures where volumes were read at a glance and where great truths or splendid heroism appealed to you so powerfully that the impressions are with you yet. I believe we can most easily awaken an interest and inspire a love for our history in our children by bringing before their eyes the spirit of the past and placing before them pictures of heroic incidents or great events in the life of our State. There is not one before me who is not familiar with the picture of that aggregation from the *Mayflower* landing on Plymouth Rock, but none of you have ever seen a picture of the landing of Raleigh's colony on Roanoke Island.

All of you know the picture of William Penn making his thrifty trade with the Indians of Upland in 1682, but none of you have ever seen a

picture of George Durant buying lands in Eastern North Carolina in 1662 from Kilcocanen, the Indian King. All of you have seen the picture of the Boston men disguised as Indians overthrowing the tea in Boston harbor, but none of you have ever seen a picture of Ashe and Waddell leading the Cape Fear patriots when in open daylight and undisguised, they defied the British Crown, and made the first open resistance to British tyranny known in America. All of you have seen the picture of Pickett's famous charge at Gettysburg, but none of you have ever seen "Farthest at Gettysburg." Here an heroic commander leading his troops was shot with his horse's head over the wall where the crimson tide of Southern valor rolled highest in North Carolina's famous death grapple on Cemetery Ridge, but the portrait of Johnston Pettigrew would not be recognized by one in a thousand of our school children.

To teach them such truths as these and to stimulate an interest in our history, I offer this

RESOLUTION.

WHEREAS, we appreciate the educational value of historic pictures and realize that in no other way can historic facts be so vividly impressed upon the youthful mind as by a visual portrayal of incidents, scenes or persons connected therewith; therefore,

Be it resolved, That the State Literary and Historical Association request the State Board of Education to have prepared stereoptican pictures illustrative of the most remarkable events and heroic incidents in North Carolina history, with short sketches of the subjects, and also provide a pictorial lecture course or courses to be used in connection therewith in such manner as in the judgment of the Superintendent of Public Instruction will best teach and create an interest in North Carolina history.

Mr. J. G. Roulhac Hamilton offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Be it resolved, by the North Carolina Literary and Historical Association, that at its future meetings three sessions shall be held,—morning, afternoon, and night,—in order that the program may contain papers which shall be definite contributions to literary and historical knowledge and that the members may have an opportunity for better acquaintance; and in order that by making known its work greater interest may be aroused, the President is hereby instructed to appoint a committee to confer with the State Historical Commission in regard to the publication of its proceedings, including all papers read before the Association.

No further resolutions being offered, the meeting reached a number on the program which had probably excited keener interest than any other—"Announcement of Award of Patter-

son Memorial Cup and Presentation to the Winner, by F. H. Busbee, Esq." To Dr. Edwin Mims, of Trinity College, the Committee had unanimously awarded the trophy for the ensuing year, and the hearty applause with which he was greeted as he came forward, bespoke the approval of the audience. By his "Sidney Lanier" Dr. Mims had clearly established his primacy among North Carolina writers of the year, and it was with graceful tributes to Dr. Mims, to the poet Lanier, and to the donor of the cup, that Mr. Busbee made the presentation. In accepting Dr. Mims said:

> Dull would I be of soul if I did not respond to this hearty recognition by my own people. For the enthusiastic applause of this audience assembled in the capital city of our Commonwealth; for the generous words of an accomplished gentleman; for the judgment of the committee of award composed of ex-Governor Aycock and my colleagues of other colleges; for the fact that I am the successor of the most promising creative writer in the State; for the fact that I share in the gift of our "gracious matron of letters," whose filial love and whose desire to promote literary activity are symbolized in this beautiful cup—for all these I return thanks. And now with the inspiration of this hour in my soul, I pledge my industry and zeal for the work of future years.

President Aycock, having forwarded no manuscript of his address, the meeting now came to a close with the annual election of officers, which resulted as follows:

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Adjourned.

Clarence H. Poe,
Secretary-Treasurer.

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THE PATTERSON MEMORIAL CUP.

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To the President and Executive Committee of the Literary and Historical Association of North Carolina:

As a memorial to my father, and with a view to stimulating effort among the writers of North Carolina, and to awaken among the people of the State an interest in their own literature, I desire to present to your Society a loving cup upon the following stipulations, which I trust will meet with your approval, and will be found to be just and practicable:

1. The cup will be known as the "William Houston Patterson Memorial Cup."

2. It will be awarded at each annual meeting of your Association for ten successive years, beginning with October, 1905.

3. It will be given to that resident of the State who, during the twelve months from September 1st of the previous year to September 1st of the year of the award, has displayed, either in prose or poetry, without regard to its length, the greatest excellence and the highest literary skill and genius. The work must be published during the said twelve months and no manuscript nor any unpublished writings will be considered.

4. The name of the successful competitor will be engraved upon the cup, with date of award, and it will remain in his possession until October 1st of the following year, when it shall be returned to the Treasurer of the Association, to be by him held in trust until the new award at your annual meeting that month. It will become the permanent possession of the one winning it oftenest during the ten years, provided he shall have won it three times. Should no one, at the expiration of that period, have won it so often, the competition shall continue until that result is reached. The names of only those competitors who shall be living at the time of the final award shall be considered in the permanent disposition of the cup.

5. The Board of Award will consist of the President of the Literary and Historical Association of North Carolina, who will act as Chairman, and of the occupants of the chairs of English Literature at the University of North Carolina, at Davidson College, and at Wake Forest College, and of the chairs of history at the University of North Carolina and at Trinity College.

6. If any of these gentlemen should decline or be unable to serve, their successors shall be appointed by the remaining members of the board, and these appointees may act for the whole unexpired term or for a shorter time, as the board may determine. Notice of the inability of any member to act must be given at the beginning of the year during which he declines to serve, so that there may be a full committee during the entire term of each year.

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